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Office Action Summary	Application No. 09/763,144	Applicant(s) JOO, JIN-YONG	
	Examiner Jeffrey D. Carlson	Art Unit 3622	

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 21 May 2007.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 3,4,8 and 16-18 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 3,4,8 and 16-18 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

This action is responsive to the paper(s) filed 5/21/07.

Applicant asked the examiner to determine if the previously applied Nicholas III (US6865719) reference is indeed prior art, given its uncertain parent disclosure in 09/314128. While the examiner is no longer applying the Nicholas III reference, it appears that the portions previously relied upon in the rejection indeed have support in 09/314128.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

1. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

2. Claims 3, 4, 8, 16-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

- Claims 3, 4, 8, 16, the use of "and/or" renders the claim scope uncertain. It is not clear if applicant is requiring an "and" or an "or".
- Claim 16 line 4, "windows" should be replaced by "window".

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

1. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

2. Claim 16 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Burke (US6302162) in view of Harding (US6307544).

3. Burke teaches a client application that communicates with the Internet as a web browser [5:64-67, 7:33-38]. The user interface includes a web page display area 530 (text box) and screen areas 540 and 550 located above and below the text/web content box 530 [fig 5]. Burke teaches that the screen areas 540 and 550 are used for displaying advertisements and for displaying menu icons as a graphical user interface (GUI) to the browser software functions, such as those functions available within Netscape or IE [8:26-34]. While Burke teaches ads and menus in these screen regions, Burke does not teach dynamic display of them based upon the user's mousing properties. Harding teaches a GUI for a software application whereby when a user's mouse hovers over a particular area of the interface, menus dynamically appear in order to launch other applications or applets (i.e. program functionality) from them [3:10-21, 55-67, 4:1-5]. When the mouse leaves this toolbar region, the dynamically appearing menus disappear. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill at the time of the invention to have provided Burke's menu items as a dynamically expanding and collapsing menu bar in order to provide a more friendly user interface. Because applicant's claim does not require the menu display to be replaced by the advertising display and vice-versa, the art need not show the optionally recited steps. The claims

only positively call for display of *either* an advertisement or a GUI element and therefore a cursor-position-aware menubar of the combination reads on the claim.

4. **Claims 17 and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Burke (US6302162) in view of Harding (US6307544) and further in view of Hoyle (US6628314).**

5. Burke does not appear to teach where the advertising comes from. Hoyle also teaches a browser application that includes a built-in advertising display area. The ads of Hoyle are periodically downloaded from an advertising server when requested by the client application and then subsequently displayed in the ad area [19:1-4]. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill at the time of the invention to have downloaded ads to the client software of Burke periodically so that different, newer ads can be shown to the user.

Allowable Subject Matter

6. Claims 3, 4 and 8 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action.

Conclusion

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within

TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jeffrey D. Carlson whose telephone number is 571-272-6716. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 8a-5:30p, (work from home on Thursdays).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Eric Stamber can be reached on (571)272-6724. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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